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Loons let their Faulk(on) Fly in Wild one over Willow

By Pushpin Papoo
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So exactly how do you classify an 82-point outburst from a team that sucks? Where do you begin to talk about Limerick's 82-64 victory over Willow this week?

It had Marshall Faulk's 4 touchdowns - first player in the league to score 4 this year. It had Mark Brunell's 3 TD tosses. It had Jeff Garcia and Terrell Owens having their way again for a combined 37 points.

But in the end, it had one 4-5 team and one 4-4-1 team.

Such are the oddities of fantasy football. Just ask Baltimore, whose Barons went on a 3-game tear, scoring 74 points two weeks in a row, and then laid an absolute egg, needing just one TD out of either Rich Gannon or Tim Brown on Sunday night and getting none en route to a mind-boggling loss to Alaska.

But we digress. Where were we? Ah, yes. Limerick sucks. It's too bad the Loons probably won't see the light of day for a while in the Kotter Division, because of a resurgent, division-leading Flint team that confronted Lackawanna and fell from that perch. Those teams are the class of the division.

The Lancers play Baltimore this week, a chance to test out the annual Jeff George free agent pick-up. The Lancers pick up George, and bang, he's named the Redskins' starter against Arizona.

"That son of a bitch," Barons owner Steve Katz said of



Two by land and two by air. Marshall Faulk scored four times last Sunday, and the Rams hardly skipped a beat, with Limerick the beneficiary.

Lackawanna's Mick Continelli. "I knew that would happen."

But if you want resurgent, look, down there in last place. It's a wounded duck. It's a plane with one blown engine. No, it's East Hartford. Calling itself the "Phoenix" story of the year, East Hartford has pulled to 4-5 after an 0-4 start. (see page 2 for Chris Reidy's self-congratulatory tome on this accomplishment.)

It ain't poetry, but it's progress

Ex'mos wake up sleepy New England town, keep flickering flame alive

By PEARL NICHOLAS
Hebron Biweekly Bugle

HEBRON - November, you might say, is the "bad hair day" of autumn in New England. The brilliant foliage that made October so memorable is now only to be found at the end of someone's rake, leaving behind gnarled, naked trees. And the snows of December, which make for those picturesque beer commercials during Christmas, are still a month away.

And yet, the residents of this small Connecticut burg have awakened today to find an encouraging November sight: Their Ex-Eskimos are, unbelievably, back in the playoff hunt.

"It's been hard not to give up on the season," East Hartford owner Chris Reidy said at his weekly press conference. "For the last four weeks, we've been one loss away from me chucking the whole year in the dumpster.

"But now, there's at least reason to hope."

The Exmos' newfound optimism has been fueled by a three-game winning streak that has helped turn an 0-4 start into a 4-5 record. It certainly didn't hurt morale, either, that the latest victory was a 47-31 disproving of the arch rival Dugway Experiments.

"Heh-heh, I knew someone was going to ask me about that," Reidy said. "Yeah, it never hurts pinning another 'L' on Mr. Sain. Then again, I'm not even sure Kenny realizes he lost yet."

The Experiments have been placed in a blind trust while Sain, their owner, runs for Congress. Since he is also simultaneously campaigning to win George W. Bush the presidency, Sain could not be reached for comment. But an official at his campaign headquarters issued the following statement: "Woe is me."

The Exmos' victory was important on other fronts. East Hartford joined a six-team group at 4-5, just a half-game out of a wild card berth. The Exmos now own victories over two of those teams, Dugway and the Anchorage Kitchen, setting them in good position if a tie-breaker is needed.



Kevin Lockett leaps into Elvis Grbac's arms after catching one of Grbac's three scoring passes Sunday.

Perhaps most important, it leaves the Exmos one victory away from .500 - a land that seemed unreachable only three weeks ago, when the Exmos had the league's worst record (1-5) and its second-lowest point total.

"No doubt about it, this week's game might be the biggest of the season," Reidy said of the Exmos' impending matchup with the Arctic Gators. "To break even after 10 games would leave us right in the thick of things."

And though the Gators are struggling at 3-6, Reidy said the Exmos aren't about to take anything for granted. No doubt, he hasn't forgotten how the Gators spoiled East Hartford's shot at the Triple Crown in 1998 with a 56-27 ass-biting in the season finale.

"No, those Gators can be tough," Reidy said. "Hey, everybody's talking about them."

WEEK 9 STANDINGS

TRANSACTIONS

Barbarino Division	Record			Points for			Points against				
	W	L	T	Tot.	Hi	Lw	Avg.	Tot.	Hi	Lw	Avg.
Denver Pyles	6	3	0	395	58	29	43.9	320	51	14	35.6
Bagdad Newts	4	5	0	331	48	11	36.8	403	84	25	44.8
Dugway Tubes	4	5	0	315	59	18	35.0	400	57	31	44.4
Arctic Gators	3	6	0	306	63	14	34.0	420	74	19	46.7
Alaska Oosiks	3	6	0	294	49	23	32.7	378	56	23	42.0

Kotter Division	Record			Points for			Points against				
	W	L	T	Tot.	Hi	Lw	Avg.	Tot.	Hi	Lw	Avg.
Lackawanna	5	3	1	337	57	15	37.4	316	61	19	35.1
Flint Bison	5	4	0	356	56	14	39.6	381	60	22	42.3
Limerick Loons	4	4	1	404	82	20	44.9	406	63	18	45.1
Anchorage Kitchen	4	5	0	372	72	20	41.3	349	40	18	38.8
East Hartford	4	5	0	339	61	18	37.7	374	53	30	41.6

Horshack Division	Record			Points for			Points against				
	W	L	T	Tot.	Hi	Lw	Avg.	Tot.	Hi	Lw	Avg.
Narcoossee N.Apes	6	3	0	443	84	19	49.2	284	72	11	31.6
Dutch Harbor	6	3	0	400	89	22	44.4	314	63	18	34.9
Willow Weasels	4	5	0	440	71	23	48.9	401	82	26	44.6
Baltimore Barons	4	5	0	427	74	23	47.4	413	89	14	45.9

WEEK 9 SCORES

Alaska 28 Vinny Testaverde 14 Michael Pittman 2 Curtis Martin 0 Jerry Rice 1 Terrence Wilkins 0 Ryan Longwell 11 Green Bay 0	Baltimore 23 Rich Gannon 0 Emmitt Smith 3 James Stewart 4 Tim Brown 0 Laveranues Coles 9 Jason Elam 3 Minnesota 0	East Hartford 47 Elvis Grbac 28 Travis Prentice 0 Tim Biakabutuka 1 Isaac Bruce 7 Donald Hayes 0 Steve Christie 11 Philadelphia 0	Dugway 31 Steve Beuerlein 0 Ron Dayne 8 Fred Taylor 3 Wesley Walls 0 Marvin Harrison 12 Tim Seder 5 Baltimore 3
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Denver 29 Brad Johnson 12 Jamal Lewis 3 Lamar Smith 7 Jimmy Smith 0 Shannon Sharpe 0 Gary Anderson 7 Jax Jags 0	Anchorage 26 D. McNabb 6 Edgerrin James 10 Kimble Anders 1 Tim Dwight 0 Antonio Freeman 0 Matt Stover 9 KC Chiefs 0	Lackawanna 51 Doug Flutie 1 Stephen Davis 7 Robert Smith 2 Derrick Alexander 22 David Boston 0 Joe Nedney 13 Buffalo 6	Flint 37 Shawn King 25 Jerome Bettis 1 Tyrone Wheatley 0 Randy Moss 7 Cris Carter 3 John Carney 1 Washington 0
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Arctic 41 Peyton Manning 20 Charlie Garner 6 Antowain Smith 0 Keyshawn 9 Jacquez Green 0 John Hall 6 St. Louis 0	Bagdad 32 Charlie Batch 7 Ricky Watters 8 Fred Beasley 0 Eric Moulds 4 Torry Holt 1 Todd Peterson 6 Tennessee 6	Limerick 82 Mark Brunell 18 Ricky Williams 12 Marshall Faulk 27 Albert Connell 0 Orande Gadsden 7 Martin Gramatica 12 New Orleans 6	Willow 62 Jeff Garcia 16 Dorsey Levens 12 Eddie George 1 Terrell Owens 21 Wayne Chrebet 7 Mike Hollis 5 Seattle 0
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Narcoossee 35 Trent Green 15 Jermaine Fazande 0 Corey Dillon 10 Johnnie Morton 0 Derrick Mason 6 Mike Vanderjagt 4 Miami 0	Dutch Harbor 22 D. Culpepper 9 Mike Alstott 1 Jamal Anderson 8 K. McCardell 0 Ike Hilliard 0 David Akers 1 Pittsburgh 3
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Nov. 3
Anchorage releases QB Jim Miller, adds Randall Cunningham.

Nov. 2
Narcoossee releases RB Darnell Autry, adds Napoleon Kaufman.

Oct. 31
Lackawanna releases QB Kerry Collins, adds Jeff George.

Oct. 28
Alaska puts WR Carl Pickens on IR, adds Corey Bradford.

Oct. 27
East Hartford reactivates QB Elvis Grbac, drops Warren Moon.
Narcoossee places QB Kurt Warner on IR, adds Jon Kitna.
Willow releases RB Napoleon Kaufman, adds Warrick Dunn.

Oct. 24
Baltimore places WR Sylvester Morris on IR, adds WR Laveranues Coles.
Waives RB Tony Richardson, adds Sammy Morris.
East Hartford places QB Elvis Grbac on IR, adds QB Warren Moon. Places Tim Couch on IR, adds Jim Harbaugh.
Lackawanna reactivates RB Richard Huntley, drops Warrick Dunn, drops Huntley, adds Shawn Bryson. Drops K Doug Brien, adds Joe Nedney.
Anchorage waives RB Jonathan Linton, adds Kimble Anders. Puts QB Cade McKnown on IR, adds Jim Miller.
Limerick waives WR Frank Sanders, adds WR Orande Gadsden.

Oct. 19
Dutch Harbor waives WR Travis Taylor, adds Ike Hilliard.

Week 9 schedule

Willow at Alaska
Limerick at Anchorage
East Hartford at Arctic
Dugway at Bagdad
Dutch Harbor at Denver
Narcoossee at Flint
Baltimore at Lackawanna

**Who's got who
(current rosters)
Bold = free agent or trade pickup**

Alaska

QB Steve McNair
QB *Vinny Testaverde*
RB *Kevin Faulk*
RB **Michael Pittman**
RB Curtis Martin
WR **Terrence Wilkins**
WR Jerry Rice
WR *Corey Bradford*
K Ryan Longwell
K Al Del Greco
D Chicago Bears
D Green Bay Packers
WR **Carl Pickens IR**

Anchorage

QB *Randall Cunningham*
QB Donovan McNabb
RB **Ahman Green**
RB Edgerrin James
RB **Kimble Anders**
WR Frank Wycheck
WR Tim Dwight
WR Antonio Freeman
K Richie Cunningham
K Matt Stover
D Kansas City Chiefs
D Atlanta Falcons
QB **Cade McNown IR**

Arctic

QB Peyton Manning
QB Tony Banks
RB Antowain Smith
RB Charlie Garner
RB Natrone Means
WR Peerless Price
WR *Jacquez Green*
WR Keyshawn Johnson
K John Hall
K Adam Vinatieri
D St. Louis Rams
D New England Patriots

Bagdad

QB **Brett Favre**
QB Charlie Batch
RB **Fred Beasley**
RB Brian Mitchell
RB Ricky Watters
WR Torry Holt
WR Eric Moulds
WR **Tony Gonzalez**
K Sebastian Janikowski
K **Todd Peterson**
D Indianapolis Colts
D Tennessee Oilers
RB **Terrell Davis IR**

Baltimore

QB Jay Fiedler
QB Rich Gannon
RB **Sammy Morris**
RB James Stewart
RB Emmitt Smith
WR *Laveranues Coles*
WR Rod Smith
WR Tim Brown
K Jason Elam
K **Pete Stoyanovich**
D New York Giants
D Minnesota Vikings

WR **Sylvester Morris IR**

Denver Pyles

QB Brian Griese
QB Brad Johnson
RB Jamal Lewis
RB Lamar Smith
RB Tiki Barber
WR Ed McCaffrey
WR Jimmy Smith
WR Shannon Sharpe
K Paul Edinger
K Gary Anderson
D Jacksonville Jaguars
D Denver Broncos

Dugway

QB Jake Plummer
QB Steve Beuerlein
RB Shaun Alexander
RB Ron Dayne
RB Fred Taylor
WR Peter Warrick
WR Wesley Walls
WR Marvin Harrison
K Tim Seder
K Neil Rackers
D Detroit Lions
D Baltimore Ravens

Dutch Harbor

QB Daunte Culpepper
QB Bubby Brister
RB **J.R. Redmond**
RB Mike Alstott
RB Jamal Anderson
WR Marcus Robinson
WR **Ike Hilliard**
WR **Keenan McCardell**
K *David Akers*
K Brad Daluiso
D Tampa Bay Buccaneers
D Pittsburgh Steelers

K **Jeff Wilkins IR**

East Hartford

QB Elvis Grbac
QB **Jim Harbaugh**
RB **James Allen**
RB Travis Prentice
RB Tim Biakabataka
WR Donald Hayes
WR **Joe Horn**
WR Isaac Bruce
K **Cary Blanchard**
K Steve Christie
D Philadelphia Eagles
D Arizona Cardinals
QB **Tim Couch**
RB **Errict Rhett IR**

Flint

QB Shaun King
QB *Chris Chandler*
RB Donnell Bennett
RB Tyrone Wheatley
RB Jerome Bettis
WR Az-Zahir Hakim
WR Randy Moss
WR Cris Carter
K John Carney
K Jason Hanson
D Washington Redskins
D San Francisco 49ers

Lackawanna

QB Doug Flutie
QB **Jeff George**
RB **Shawn Bryson**
RB Robert Smith
RB Stephen Davis
WR Derrick Alexander
WR **David Boston**
WR Shawn Jefferson
K Olindo Mare
K **Joe Nedney**
D San Diego Chargers
D Buffalo Bills

QB **Rob Johnson**

Limerick

QB Mark Brunell
QB Jeff Blake
RB *Mike Anderson*
RB Ricky Williams
RB Marshall Faulk
WR Albert Connell
WR *Herman Moore*
WR **Orande Gadsden**
K Martin Gramatica
K Morten Andersen
D New Orleans Saints
D Oakland Raiders
WR **Olandis Gary (IR)**
WR **Germaine Crowell (IR)**

Narcoossee

QB Trent Green
QB *Jon Kitna*
RB *Napoleon Kaufman*
RB Jermaine Fzazande
RB Corey Dillon
WR Derrick Mason
WR Terry Glenn
WR **Johnnie Morton**
K Kris Brown
K Mike Vanderjagt
D Miami Dolphins
D Carolina Panthers
RB **Garrison Hearst IR**
RB **Duce Staley IR**
QB **Kurt Warner IR**

Willow

QB Jeff Garcia
QB Drew Bledsoe
RB **Warrick Dunn**
RB Eddie George
RB Dorsey Levens
WR Muhsin Muhammad
WR Wayne Chrebet
WR Terrell Owens
K Wade Richey
K Mike Hollis
D Seattle Seahawks
D New York Jets